

ANOTHER COOK & SONS DIE?

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CSC
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Three different settings of 22/CSC identified with Cook Son & Co. were illustrated in issue 207 (October 1983) and I have illustrated a fourth die which may belong to the same company. A number of CSC/22 examples are known which are simply offsets of the original three, but this one is quite different, being much smaller in size. Its Tillies No. is C698A and I have it on a Victorian ½d issue with a London (Newspaper Branch) postmark which, of course, is undated but the stamp identifies it as prior to 1887.

Has anyone seen any other examples, or can it be identified definitely with Cook Son & Co.?